

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend paragraph [001] on page 1 of the specification as follows:

[001] This patent application is related to U.S. Patent Application No. 10/717,086  
\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_,\_\_\_\_ entitled "APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING DEFECTIVE  
VALVES" filed on [[\_\_\_\_]] November 19, 2003, which is incorporated by reference.